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U.S. DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MO ST. LOUIS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS STATE OF MISSOURI

DR. PATT MCGUIRE)
Plaintiff,)
)
V.) Complaint) Civil Action No. 4:17-02818
Cynthia Lou Hoemann, Priscilla F. Gunn,	(Additional charges to current case)
Veritext Legal Solutions, St. Louis County)
Defendants)

I.JURISDICTION & VENUE (B)

- 1. This is a criminal/civil action authorized by Section 575.100 Tampering with physical evidence secured by the 2013 Missouri Revised Statutes, 14th Amendment, 42 U.S.C. Section 1983 to redress the deprivation, under color of state law, of rights secured by the Constitution of the United States. This court has jurisdiction because Missouri circuit courts are courts of original civil and criminal jurisdiction. The court has jurisdiction under28 U.S. Code § 1332(a) Diversity of citizenship; amount in controversy; costs "The district courts shall have original jurisdiction of all civil actions where there mater in controversy exceeds the sum of value of \$ 75,000, exclusive of interest and costs,..." Plaintiff seeks declaratory judgment pursuant to Rule 57 Declaratory Judgment under 28 U.S.C. 2201. Rules 38 and 39 govern a demand for a jury trial. Plaintiff seeks declaratory relief pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Section 2201 and 2202. Plaintiff's claims for punitive damages are authorized by F.R.C.P. 8(a). Plaintiff's claims for damages and losses are authorized by F.R.C.P. 9(b).
- 2. The Circuit Court of the County of St. Louis State of Missouri is the appropriate venue under 28 U.S.C. Section 1391 (b)(2) because it it where the events giving rise to this claim occurred.

II.PLAINTIFF(C)

3. Plaintiff, Dr. Patt McGuire, is and was at all times mentioned herein a resident of the State of Missouri, the Plaintiff in the employment discrimination case the deposition was being taken for. She is currently the Plaintiff in this case in St. Louis, Missouri.

III.DEFENDANTS (D)

- 4. Defendant, Cynthia Lou Hoemann, is the Assistant County Counsel of the St. Louis County. She is legally responsible for representing St. Louis County in legal matters under its jurisdiction.
- 5. Defendant, Priscilla F. Gunn, is the Assistant County Counsel of the St. Louis County. She is legally responsible for representing St. Louis County in legal matters under its jurisdiction.
- 6. Defendant, Veritext Legal Solutions, is the litigation services St. Louis County used to facilitate the depositions on the Plaintiff, Dr. Patt McGuire. They were legally responsible for conducting St. Louis County's legal matters related to assigned depositions to them for the appointed time.
- 7. Defendant, St. Louis County-Genevieve Frank, is the employer of the Plaintiff. They are legally responsible for representing themselves in legal matters under its jurisdiction.
- 8. Each defendant is sued individually and in her/its official capacity. At all times mentioned in this complaint each defendant acted under the color of state law.

IV.FACTS (E)

- 9. Section 11-16 are to serve as the "short and plain statement" requirement of the F.R.C.P Rule 8.
- 10. Per Presiding Honorable Judge Catherine D. Perry, United States District Judge, in her MEMORANDUM AND ORDER, dated November 26, 2018, "....Defendants may take an additional seven hours of deposition of plaintiff...." Both the Plaintiff and Defendants counsels agreed to meet December 17, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. at their office, 41 S. Central Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63105. The deposition began on time at 9:00 a.m. Present at the deposition were the following person(s): Cynthia Lou Hoemann (Assistant County Counsel for St. Louis County), Priscilla F. Gunn (Assistant County Counsel for St. Louis County), Cheryl Campbell (Defendant in Plaintiff's employment discrimination case), and Jeanne Pedrotty (Veritext Legal Solution's court reporter).
- 11. During the deposition which was being conducted by Cynthia Lou Hoemann and assisted by Priscilla F. Gunn four (4) documents were presented to the Plaintiff, Dr. Patt McGuire, exhibit #28, #29, #16, and #24. Two (2) were new documents which means they were not used in the June 25, 2018 deposition. They were the Memorandum and Order dated November 26, 2018 and Plaintiff's Amended Petition (Complaint and Exhibits Permission Granted by the Judge Kristine Allen Farr date December 8, 2017. The other two (2) were used during a deposition conducted on Dr. McGuire back on June 25, 2018 by Cynthia Lou Hoemann and Priscilla D. Gunn (Assistant Counsels for St. Louis County). They were Dr. McGuire's 2017 Performance Evaluation and a letter addressed to Kelly Landaker signed by Dr. McGuire.
- 12. Immediately, Dr. McGuire noticed that document # 24 was not a copy of her original letter presented to Kelly Landaker nor was it a copy of the original letter submitted as evidence to the counsels of her employment discrimination case. Immediately after take note of this, Dr. McGuire requested ten (10) minutes to verify the document handed to her by Cynthia Lou Hoemann. Both she and Priscilla F. Gunn agreed to the requested time and they left out of the

room to grant Dr. McGuire time requested. However, four (4) minutes into the requested time both counsels and Cheryl Campbell interrupted Dr. McGuire with dialogue of distraction and rudeness. Dr. McGuire objected to the interruption, detracting and rudeness dialogue. Dr. McGuire requested to go back on record because the behavior from both counsels was sudden, baseless, and suspicious. The transcript will show Dr. McGuire's objection and position. The actual document presented to Dr. McGuire was not preserved by Veritext's court reporter. The actual document has been compromised due to the flawed policy and procedure of Veritext. Their client, St. Louis County was able to remove a "tangible" piece of evidence without any checks and balances from Veritext. The plaintiff relied on Veritext's policy and procedure to protect her from tampering of physical evidence from beginning to ending of the deposition on December 17, 2018. When Dr. McGuire went to review the transcript and the four exhibits used in her deposition, she was faced with an incomplete review. Exhibit #16 and # 24 were missing and that was violation of plaintiff's rights and constituted a due process, equal protection, and deprive of person of life, liberty, or property under the fourteenth amendment to the United States Constitution.

- 13. Dr. Patt McGuire went into Veritext Legal Solutions on December 21, 2018 to read, sign, and make corrections, if needed, the deposition transcript for December 17, 2018 deposition on Dr. McGuire. A letter from Veritext Legal Solutions was post marked on December 20, 2018, requesting Dr. McGuire to call their office to make arrangements. (SEE EXHIBIT "A")
- 14. Pat Loud, the receptionist, greeted Dr. Patt McGuire upon arrival. She then called for Mary Gaal, Office Manager, when Dr. McGuire requested to have all four (4) exhibits presented (exhibits 28, 29, 16, and 24) to Dr. McGuire in the deposition on December 17, 2018 because she was only able to see two (2) documents attached to the transcript of Dr. McGuire's December 17, 2018 deposition. It was at that time Dr. McGuire requested for the second time to see all four documents. Pat Loud rechecked and discovered that only exhibit 28 and 29 were scanned in with the transcript. She did look through the transcript and found out there were two other exhibits noted in the transcript but not scanned in. By this time, Mary Gaal made over to the front desk to assist with Dr. McGuire's request. Mary Gaal then reviewed the transcript of December 17, 2018 and confirmed that four (4) exhibits were used during the December 17, 2018 deposition. Mary Gaal asked Dr. McGuire to allow her some time to look into why only two (2) of the four (4) exhibits were not scanned in with the transcript. Latter, Mary Gaal came into the room when Dr. McGuire was looking over the December 17, 2018 deposition. Mary Gaal began to explain to Dr. McGuire why there were only two (2) documents scanned in with the deposition for December 17, 2018.
- 15. Mary Gaal stated to Dr. Patt McGuire that it is the policy of her company to not keep any exhibits "referred" to from any previous deposition. Dr. McGuire asked her for a copy of her company's policy that states that after she verbally explained her company's policy. However, she never produced a copy of her company's policy. See the following exhibits pulled my Dr. McGuire on January 5, 2018 from Veritext Legal Solutions website on their policy for the services they provide for Documentation and Exhibits. If Dr. McGuire is able to get an official copy of their policy on these topics, she will file it with the circuit court of St. Louis County. See the following exhibits:
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- F. Deposition Services

"Upon information and belief" I believe the defendants premeditated a plan to present tampered with physical documentation to me because they did not expect me to bring my original document with me to the deposition. "Upon information and belief" that is why Cynthia Lou Hoemann asked me about three (3) times after she interrupted my requested ten (10) minutes. "Upon information and belief" this is why neither of the counsels waited to review the documents before ending the deposition. "Upon information and belief" I believe after they presented the tampered physical evidence to me and left out of the room, they came up with the plan after they left the room to enter back into the room before the end of the requested time by the plaintiff to retrieve the fake document and discard of it. "Upon information and belief" the defendants counsels took drastic steps by ending the deposition early, at 10:32 a.m., because they knew they had violated the plaintiff's Constitutional, statutory rights and the law. "Upon information and belief" I believe that Veritext's policy and procedure of deposition is flawed and it opened the door to the violations committed against the Plaintiff.

V.LEGAL CLAIM (G)

- 16. Plaintiff reallege and incorporated by reference paragraphs 1-15.
- 17. The 575.100 Tampering with physical evidence penalties violated plaintiff Dr. Patt McGuire's right and constituted a due process violation, equal protection, and deprive of life, liberty, or property under the fourteenth amendment to the United States Constitution.
- 18. The plaintiff has no plain, adequate or complete remedy at law to redress the wrongs described herein. Plaintiff has been and will continue to be irreparably injured by the conduct of the defendants unless this court grant the declaratory relief with plaintiff is seeks.

VI.PRAYER FOR RELIEF (H)

WHEREFORE, plaintiff respectfully prays that this count enter judgment granting plaintiff:

- 19. A declaration that the acts and omissions described herein violated plaintiff's right under the Constitution, statutory rights, and law of the United States.
- 20. Punitive damages in the amount of \$2 Million (total of \$8 Million) against each defendant.
- 21. Damages
- 22. Loss
- 23. A jury trial on all issues triable by jury.

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Dated:	
	Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Patt McGuire 10164 Ventura Dr. St. Louis, MO 63136

VERIFICATION (J)

I have read the foregoing complaint and hereby verify that the matters alleged therein are true, except as to matters alleged on information and belief. And, as to those, I believe them to be true. I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed at St. Louis, MO on January 5, 2018

Dr. Patt McGuire

Cynthia Lou Hoemann Assistant County Counsel 41 S. Central Ave. St. Louis, MO 63101 Priscilla F. Gunn Assistant County Counsel 41 S. Central Ave. 9th Floor

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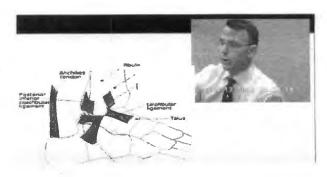
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